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**COMMON MARKET APPOINTS NEW
CHIEF FOR OVERSEAS COUNTRIES**

WASHINGTON, D.C., June 6 -- Appointment of Dr. Heinrich Hendus, German Consul General in Algiers, as Director General of the European Economic Community's Department on Overseas Countries and Territories was announced by the Common Market Commission spokesman in Brussels.

Dr. Hendus replaces Dr. Helmut Allardt who has served as head of that department since its establishment in 1958. The new appointment becomes effective September 1, 1960.

A career diplomat, Dr. Allardt had been in the German Foreign Service from 1936 until 1958. He is resigning his Common Market position to return to the Foreign Office of the German Federal Republic. Under his direction the past two years, the Overseas Development Fund has granted more than \$60 million to aid less-developed countries in the construction of facilities which will stimulate economic growth.

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